

REMARKS

The subject application is a U.S. national phase under 35 U.S.C. 371 of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/001808. International Application No. PCT/JP2005/001808 was filed with claims 1-23. In response to an International Preliminary Examination Report (copy submitted concurrently herewith), claims 1-3, 5, 6, 16 and 18-20 were amended, and claims 4 and 7-15 were canceled. A copy of the Reply and Amendment in response to an International Preliminary Examination Report (including English translation) is submitted herewith. A substitute specification including the amendments to the international application in response to an International Preliminary Examination Report and no additional subject matter is submitted herewith.

By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 5, 6, 16, 18, 21 and 23 have been amended with remove multi-dependencies therein. Accordingly, claims 1-3, 5, 6 and 16-23 are pending, with claim 1 being the sole claim in independent form.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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